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In re Application of Cheng, et al. Application No. 09/343,293 Filed: June 30, 1999 Attorney Docket No. 42390.P7068

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed on July 30, 2001, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application was abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the final Office action mailed July 10, 2000. This Office action set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months from the mailing date of the action. No extensions of time having been obtained and no reply having been received, the above-identified application became abandoned on October 11, 2000. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 18, 2001.

With the instant petition, the petitioner filed a request for a continued prosecution application (CPA) of the above-identified application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), and met all other requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The above-identified application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity. As continuity has been established by this decision reviving the application, the application is again abandoned in favor of the CPA, filed July 30, 2001.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2800 for processing of the CPA (and accompanying preliminary

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